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Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Fig. 7.

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REMARKS

Claims 1-41 are pending, of which claims 20-39 and 41 have been withdrawn and are now cancelled in order to expedite prosecution. In addition, claims 1-3, 12-14, 16 and 17 are cancelled in the present amendment without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 4-6, 11, 15 and 18 are presently amended to place them in condition for allowance as indicated in the Office Action.

The Abstract of the disclosure stands objected to for including phrases that can be inferred. Applicants have amended the Abstract, and request that the objection be withdrawn.

The Drawings stand objected to because the word "border" was misspelled "boarder" in boxes 100, 102 and 104 of Figure 7. In response, Applicants submit herewith a replacement sheet in which the requested correction has been made. Applicants request that the objection to the Drawings be reconsidered and withdrawn.

Claim 11 stands rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite due to the use of the term "approximately." In the Office Action, it is asserted that the Specification does not provide sufficient standard for the term "approximately" to be sufficiently definite. While Applicants disagree and believe that one of skill in the art appreciates the types of uncertainties that are involved with determining processing times, Applicants have amended claim 11 to remove the term "approximately" in order to expedite prosecution. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claim 11 is requested.

Claims 1-3, 12-14, 16 and 17 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Huang et al. Without acquiescing, Applicants submit that the cancellation of these claims has rendered the rejection moot.

Claims 4-10, 15, 18 and 19 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but are indicated as allowable if properly re-written. Applicants submit that the present amendment overcomes this objection.


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Applicants request that all objections and rejections be withdrawn, and submit that claims 4-11, 15, 18, 19, and 40 are in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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